

# Governor's Proclamation



**WHEREAS**, philanthropy – the act of giving time or resources to make life better for others – has benefited countless Wyoming citizens and is an important value in Wyoming; and

**WHEREAS**, Philanthropy Northwest was established on November 23, 1976 as the Pacific Northwest Grantmakers Forum to “exchange information, ideas and procedures among charitable organizations, foundations, charitable trusts and charitable grant-making organizations, to benefit and promote charity”; and

**WHEREAS**, family funds, foundations and corporate giving programs committed to Wyoming are an integral part of Philanthropy Northwest’s regional network and its vision that “Northwest communities have vibrant, healthy futures that honor our past, our people and our cultures”; and

**WHEREAS**, Wyoming values the achievements of individuals, foundations, corporate philanthropists and volunteers; and

**WHEREAS**, philanthropic contributions have a far reaching effect on Wyoming’s quality of life – contributing to the well-being of others can bring happiness and security to both the giver and receiver; and

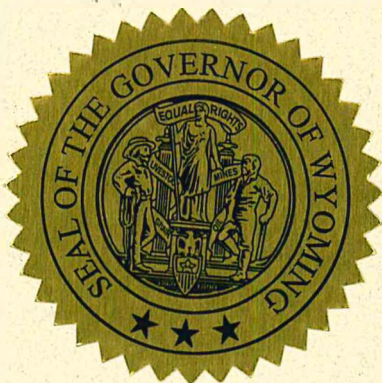
**WHEREAS**, men and women who share their personal resources, time and talents report an improved sense of well-being, lower stress levels, better physical health and an enriched sense of purpose.


**NOW THEREFORE, I, MATTHEW H. MEAD**, Governor of the State of Wyoming, do hereby proclaim November 23, 2016 as

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in Wyoming, and encourage Wyoming citizens to invest in themselves in service to others by giving of their time, talents and resources to bring about positive and lasting change in their neighborhoods and communities.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Executive Seal of the Governor of Wyoming to be affixed this \_\_\_\_ day of November, 2016.



  
Matthew H. Mead  
Governor